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Wycombe's hopes hang on Delaney

WYCOMBE Wanderers' hopes of beating Walton and Hersham for the first time this season, could well hinge on the fitness of skipper John Delaney. The centre half injured his back against Leatherhead last Saturday and missed the 3-1 win at Oxford in midweek.

The importance of Delaney's fitness is centred on Walton's two foraging strikers Keiron Somers and Roger Connell, who both need careful attention. Somers played a blinder against Gerry Olson at Walton when they beat Wycombe 1-0, dominating much of the game.

Wanderers fans will also remember that Dave Bassett himself a former Wycombe player was sent off on that day for showing dissent. After an appeal Bassett's dismissal was changed to a booking but he misses tomorrow's match as he is under a two week suspension for three bookings.

Apart from Bassett's omission Walton 3-1 favourites for the

Amateur Cup are at full strength with Connell right back to form after a lengthy suspension. A 5-0 Amateur Cup win over St. Albans on Saturday emphasises their strength at present, Somers scoring twice.

Apart from the Delaney doubt, Wanderers should be at full strength but the final selection will again be difficult. One player bidding strongly for a place is Mick Holifield, who scored twice on Tuesday.

Paul Birdseye has been selected for an F.A. Amateur XI who meet the Amateur Football Alliance at Bishop's Stortford on Wednesday. At present Wanderers have no game arranged in midweek.